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EXAMINER: Tonieae M. Thomas

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
ANDREW M. HAWRYLUK et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/536,927 )  
Filed: March 27, 2000 )

For: METHODS FOR ANNEALING A SUBSTRATE AND ARTICLE PRODUCED BY SUCH METHODS

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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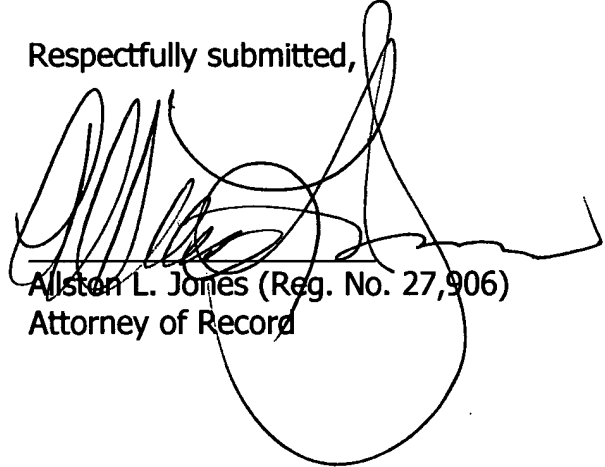
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1. Transmittal Letter, in duplicate;
2. Response to Examiner's Action and Amendment D; and
3. Postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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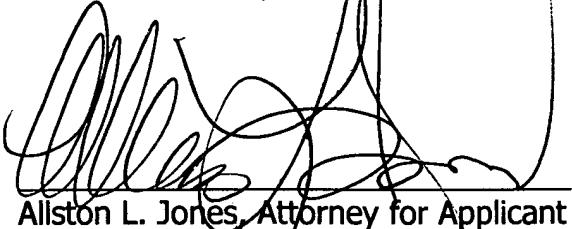
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This Response is being submitted in response to the Examiner's Action dated October 24, 2003, within three months of that date.